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4th Software Underground

Annual General Meeting

15.00 UTC, 25 June 2024

Chair: Matt Hall

Quorum: 11

<https://swu.ng/agm-2024>

Agenda

- Annual review.
- Financial review.
- 2024 activities.
- Elections.
- Any other business.

Potted history

- Started on Google Groups in July 2014:
<https://groups.google.com/g/softwareunderground>
- Moved to Slack in August 2015.
- Held TRANSFORM 2019 in France, leading to many discussions and decisions about governance — and aspirations!
<https://agilescientific.com/blog/2019/5/18/transform-happened>
- Incorporated as a non-profit on 29 April 2020, at the age of 6¾:
<https://softwareunderground.org/blog/2020/6/6/something-new-has-surfaced>
- Held TRANSFORM conferences in 2020, 2021 and 2022, and the first AGM in 2021.

- Global
- Unsociety
- Platform
- Sponsorable
- Good conduct

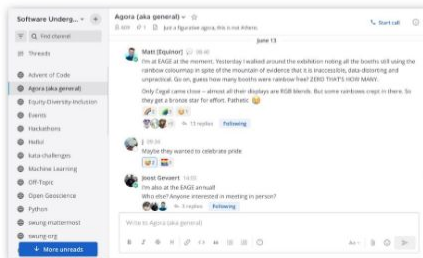
Annual review

- It was another quiet year with respect to events.
- We moved the community to Mattermost.
- Several communities continue to use Swung as a communication channel, e.g. Fatiando a Terra, Devito, Gempy, and others.
- Our Mattermost instance supports the SimPEG community with its own "Team".
- We sponsored two participants in [the BIRS workshop](#).
- 3rd AGM and annual report: <https://swu.ng/agm-2023>



welcome to swung

The place for scientists and engineers that love rocks and computers. The Software Underground is a grass-roots community of digital subsurface professionals. We are academic and applied geologists, geophysicists, engineers, and others — **Welcome!**

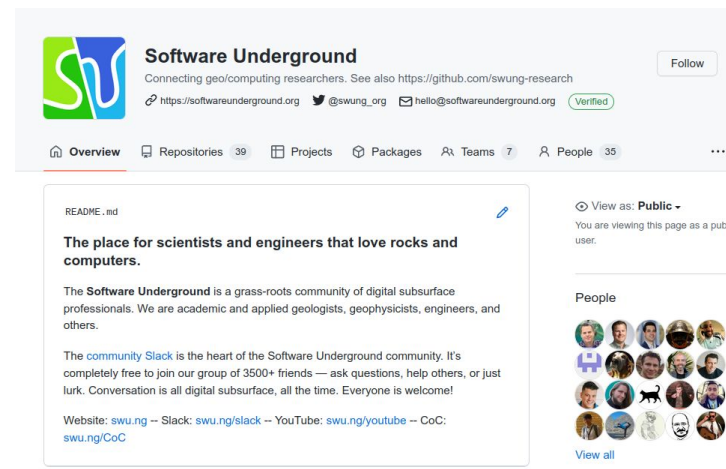
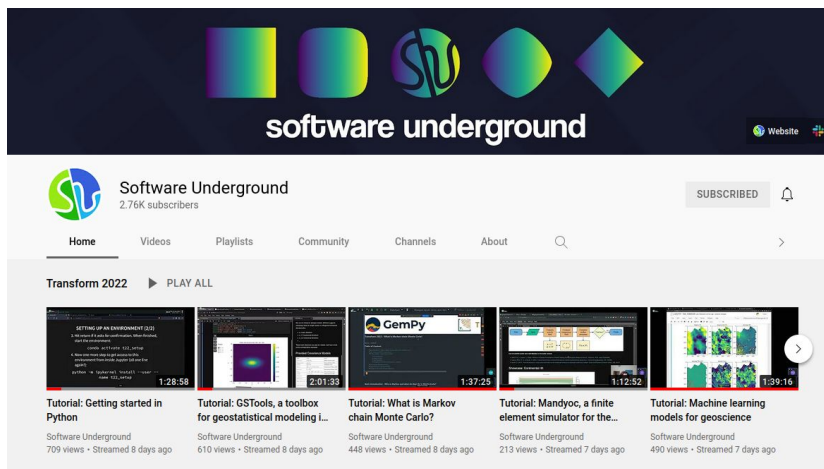
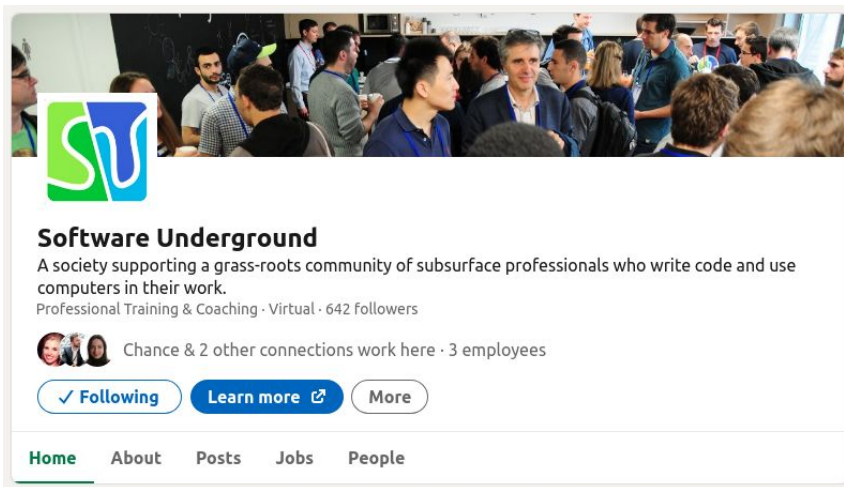


The **community chat** is the heart of the Software Underground community. It's completely free to join our group of hundreds of friends — ask questions, help others, or just lurk.

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	subsurfwiki.org	Active		matt@agilegeoscience.cor	  	Sep 7, 2024
	swung.rocks	Active		kwinkunks@gmail.com	  	Aug 19, 2024
	softwareunderground.org	Active	10/10	kwinkunks@gmail.com	  	Feb 15, 2025
	dataunderground.org	Active		kwinkunks@gmail.com	  	Aug 30, 2024

eurodns.com

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plausible.io

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(up to 100k monthly pageviews, currently 10k-12k)



Financial review

- Financial reports: <https://github.com/softwareunderground/swung-org>
- **100% member-supported in 2023, no corporate sponsors.**
- We approximately halved our 'chat app' expenses by dropping Slack and moving to Mattermost. We are paying a member, Jørgen Kvalsvik, to maintain our instance.
- We received donations from 28 subscribers. Annual income is currently around CAD 4700.
- Year end: **CAD 21,406 cash** (CAD 20,560 in 2022), plus CAD 2000 GIC (credit security), minus CAD 2332 liability (CAD 406 in 2022).
- Retained bank: RBC, Bridgewater, NS, Canada.
- Retained bookkeeper: Katie Condon, myrgan.com, Mahone Bay, NS, Canada.
- Retained accountant: Belliveau Veinotte Inc, Bridgewater, NS, Canada.

FY2023 numbers per adjusted accounting software. Not categorized. Not audited.

Financial statements

INCOME

ACCOUNTS	Jan 01, 2023 to Dec 31, 2023	Jan 01, 2022 to Dec 31, 2022	Change		
Income					
Direct Public Support – Business Contributions 	\$4,706.20	\$1,455.87	\$3,250.33	223.26%	
Direct Public Support – Individual Contributions 	\$0.00	\$2,968.37	-\$2,968.37	-100.00%	
Investments – Interest 	\$60.00	\$12.00	\$48.00	400.00%	
Product Sales 	\$134 \$0.00	\$1,358.50	-\$1,358.50	-100.00%	
Total Income	\$4,766.20	\$5,794.74	-\$1,028.54	-17.75%	

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EXPENSES

ACCOUNTS	Jan 01, 2023 to Dec 31, 2023	Jan 01, 2022 to Dec 31, 2022	Change		
Operating Expenses					
Accounting Fees 	\$600.00	\$525.00	\$75.00	14.29%	
Bank Service Charges 	\$265.43	\$303.75	-\$38.32	-12.62%	
Business Software 	\$2,915.78	\$6,737.74	-\$3,821.96	-56.72%	
Contract Services 	\$52.26	\$1,566.66	-\$1,514.40	-96.66%	
Legal Fees 	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	0.00%	
Misc. Event Prize Expense 	\$0.00	\$515.40	-\$515.40	-100.00%	
Postage & Delivery 	\$0.00	\$196.00	-\$196.00	-100.00%	
Travel Expense 	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%	
Total Operating Expenses	\$5,845.47	\$9,844.55	-\$3,999.08	-40.62%	

2024 activities

Frequent discussion in #swung-org and
documentation in swung-org repo



- **Mattermost** is the main thing now. Thanks to all members for a smooth transition and new energy in the chat.
- **Jo Walsh** has appealed for ideas and assistance for another TRANSFORM event this year, here is the channel:
<https://mattermost.softwareunderground.org/swung/channels/transform>
- The board is considering another change in status, to use a fiscal host instead of being a corporation on our own.
- **And what new things?**

Current board

Profiles: <https://softwareunderground.org/board>

Directors and service length:

- 1 year: Maria Cecilia Bravo, Matteo Niccoli, Santiago Soler
- 2 years: Rowan Cockett, Leo Uieda
- 3 + 1 years: Dieter Werthmuller, Matt Hall, Jo Walsh

Asynchronous vote coming soon in Mattermost: Approve the current board.

Any other business

None.